AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Three new "Replacement Sheets" of drawings consisting of Figs. 1-4 are submitted herewith pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

REMARKS

The drawing corrections are intended to correct the deficiencies noted at pages 2 - 4 of the Office Action of October 4, 2005.

The following changes have been made in the specification and claims:

- 1. The depiction of the splines in Fig. 1 has been corrected.
- 2. Figs. 1 and 2 have been corrected to identify the upper joint as 22 rather than 20.
- 3. Reference character 36 has been replaced by characters 36a and 36b in Fig. 2 and the specification.
- 4. The reference characters 40 have been removed in Fig. 2 and the specification.
- 5. The element originally identified as 36 in Fig. 4 has been changed to 76.
- 6. The reference characters 50, 74, 80 and 84 have been corrected to designate the respective elements noted in the specification.
- 7. The drawings have been corrected to illustrate the concepts noted in the paragraph bridging pages 3 and 4 of the October 4, 2005 Office Action.

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Reconsideration and allowance of the above-identified application are respectfully requested. Any questions may be directed to Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone and facsimile numbers provided below.

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